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FROM THE INSIDE.

Police Satisfied That No Outsider Robbed City Treasury.

Though no new clue has been discovered to the robbery in City Treasurer Hale's office in the city building, the police are inclined to think from experiments conducted by them that the robbery was committed by some one who had keys which permitted access not only to the room of the city treasurer but also to the cash drawer. The police think that the big out of the transom fastening could have only been done by some one from the inside and that the robber did not crawl through the transom, but merely broke the fastening of the attachment as a blind. From indications and experiments conducted by the police the plain clothes men believe that the robber was not forced open, but that it was opened with a key. It is evident, say the police, that the robber gained entrance through a door.

HE ATTACKS THE LAW.

William Howard Attacks Validity of Indeterminate Sentence Act.

William Howard, the penitentiary convict who had Warden Jewett arrested for contempt of court, started off on a new tack this morning by bringing a habeas corpus suit in the supreme court to secure his release from the penitentiary on the ground that the indeterminate sentence law is unconstitutional. His attorney is Robert P. Garver, son of T. P. Garver of Topeka.

William Howard was sent to prison on November 2, 1903, for stealing chickens. His sentence was for an indeterminate period. He says that is equivalent to sending him up for life. If the sentence is disposed to keep him there. Howard commenced an action in the lower court of Johnson county some time ago to secure his release from the penitentiary and then Jewett commenced habeas corpus proceedings in the supreme court to secure his release. The supreme court released him, but Howard's attorney seems to think that he still has a chance to secure the release of his client.

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Mrs. Mattie Balkins, Vanceburg, Ky., says: "My husband took two doses of your medicine about five months ago and has not taken a drink or had any desire for liquor since then. Our home is so different now."

Mary L. Harris, Lewiston, N. C., writes: "The sample you sent me has cured my husband of the drink habit. May God bless you, for you have blessed me with a happy home."

Mrs. Mabel Zink, R. F. D. No. 6, Salem, Oregon, says: "My husband has not touched liquor since I gave him the sample package of your Golden Specific."

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FIVE ARE FOR IT.

Rest of Councilmen Want Edison Franchise Modified.

The question of the Edison franchise will come up for consideration at this evening's meeting of the council. A special session to consider this matter alone. There is no expectation that the franchise will be settled finally this evening, the majority of the councilmen are in favor of considering it at some length and at a number of sessions of the council.

The council is somewhat divided over the advisability of passing the ordinance. Indications point to five councilmen for that ordinance, as it now stands, to seven against.

Councilmen Hughes, Green, Ryder, Simms, Shiner, are the members of the council who are holding out strongly for important modifications and amendments in the franchise, as proposed now, while Councilmen Rice, Holliday, Howe and Swenson are the strongly in favor of the franchise as it is drawn up and against any attempt at reduction in the maximum or minimum fixed charges.

Councilmen Horn, Griley and Nipps propose that amendments should be made but are against anything which might be termed radical.

Councilmen Hughes, Green, Ryder and Shiner believe that the demands formulated by the business men are in the main correct and that the councilman Shiner even believes that they have been too moderate in what they are asking.

Councilman Horn doesn't believe that any maximum rate should be specified but thinks a flat rate should be inaugurated. He is opposed to a thirty year franchise and in favor of holding down the term of the franchise to a length of ten years, as the business men demanded.

Councilman Simms thinks that a 13 cent or a 12 1/2 cent maximum rate should be put in with a 75 cent minimum fixed charge. He thinks a ten year franchise is about right.

Councilman Griley is holding for a number of amendments. He hasn't, however, a very clear idea as to what he wants, but thinks that some modifications should be made, especially in safeguard against discrimination. He thinks a twenty year franchise is proper and is inclined to think that a 15 cent rate is rather high for a maximum. Further than that he hasn't anything to suggest but will wait for developments.

Councilmen Rice, Howe, Swenson, Holliday all think that the franchise proposed for passage is equitable and should be passed without any change. All of these men are in favor of a thirty year franchise.

Councilman Nipps thinks that the Edison representatives and the business men should make some sort of compromise. He is not in favor of the franchise in its present form and states that he will not vote for it unless it is modified. He favors a ten year franchise.

The argument is being made for the granting of a short time franchise is that improvements will probably take place in that time with regard to the city gas works, which are insisted upon and that it can be consequently produced much more cheaply. The feeling with the council is that a franchise should not be based on the terms of the one proposed. Discrimination and inspection of the electric meters by the city are two items which are insisted upon by a majority of the members of the council.

FOUND TIES ON TRACK.

Attempt to Wreck a Santa Fe Train at Pauline.

Detectives Germain and Donovan of the Santa Fe are "sweating" two suspects of a plot to wreck a Santa Fe train at Pauline this morning. The men are suspected of having attempted to wreck an east-bound Santa Fe train at Pauline last night. The agent at Pauline discovered some cross ties on the track near the switch, and removed them in time to save any trouble. He saw two men skulking about the vicinity. From the description given by the agent the detectives think they have the men who attempted to cause a wreck.

RATE HEARINGS CLOSE.

Senate Committee Decides to End the Investigation.

Washington, May 23.—The senate committee on interstate commerce, which has been investigating the rate question, decided in executive session this morning to close the hearing today.

FOURTEEN HURT.

Passenger Train Derailed on the L. & N. in Tennessee.

Nashville, Tenn., May 23.—It is reported that a Louisville and Nashville train was derailed today near Columbia, Tenn., and that fourteen persons were injured.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS.

Minerva Roberts, mother of Mrs. Willis Edson, died on Monday afternoon of old age. She was 80 years old. Her home was at 701 Jefferson street. The funeral will take place from the house Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment in Topeka cemetery.

Mrs. Martha M. Powell, aged 52 years, died at 300 East First street on Monday evening at 3 o'clock of paralysis. Interment was in Topeka cemetery this afternoon.

Choice of Routes

Account National Educational association convention at Aubury Park, N. J., on June 29, 30, July 1, 2, agents of the Pennsylvania lines at Chicago will sell round trip tickets to that point at \$2.35 via Erie, Wayne route, and \$2.15 via Van Handle route. Good returning to July 10th and with privilege of extension to August 31st. You have choice of four routes: direct line—via Washington and Philadelphia—via Philadelphia and New York, or via Washington, Philadelphia and New York, or via Washington, Philadelphia and New York. Ask your home agent about it or for detailed information call on or address T. H. Thorn, T. P. A., 26 U. S. Bank Bldg., Omaha, Neb.

New York, May 23.—MONEY—Money on call easy, 2 1/2 per cent; closing bid 2 1/2 and offered at 3 1/2 per cent; time money easy and unchanged; 90 days, 3 per cent; 60 days, 2 1/2 per cent; 3 months, 4 1/2 per cent.

CLOSING: Prime mercantile paper, 2 1/2 per cent; sterling exchange, 2 1/2 per cent; actual business in bankers' bills at \$2.70 1/2 for demand and at \$2.80 1/2 for 60 day bills; posted rates, \$1.94 1/2 and \$1.94 1/2; commercial bills, 2 1/2 per cent; \$1.92 1/2—Bar silver, 88 1/2; Mexican dollars, 50.



MAYOR JOHN WEAVER.

THE GAS SCANDAL IN PHILADELPHIA.

The action of the Philadelphia city council in passing a resolution granting to the United Gas Improvement company a franchise for seventy-five years has excited the Quaker City more than anything in many years. Mayor Weaver is expected to veto the measure, but that will be a mere formality, as the members favoring the franchise have many more than enough votes to repass the measure over his veto. The city owns the gas works, which are now leased to the company for thirty years, with a proviso that at the end of ten years (which will expire in 1907) the city shall have the right to terminate the contract by paying for the improvements which have been made. By the new arrangement, however, the city will be unable to do anything toward recovering its plant until 1950. Thomas Dolan is president of the United Gas Improvement company.

OFFICIALS RESIGN.

Latest Development in Philadelphia Gas Fight.

Philadelphia, May 23.—Director of Public Works Costello and Director of Public Safety Smyth, today at the request of Mayor Weaver tendered their resignations. This is the latest and most startling development in the fight against the lease for 75 years of the city gas works to the United Gas Improvement company.

Each official in tendering his resignation used the phrase: "To take effect when my successor has qualified." These words are taken in political circles to indicate a determination to hold on to the offices as long as possible as the successors of the two directors must be confirmed by a two-thirds vote of the select council.

Mayor Weaver evidently took the same view as it was stated this afternoon that he had notified Costello and Smyth that the form of the resignations was not satisfactory and he gave them two hours to resign without qualification on pain of removal from office.

The action of the mayor is the all-embracing topic of conversation in the city. It is safe to say that no such political sensation has been sprung here in the last 25 years. Now that the resignations have been tendered, the public organization leaders who placed him in office, it is expected that a bitter fight will be waged during the next two years of his term. The remaining councilmen and firemen there are upwards of 20,000 officeholders in Philadelphia and practically all of them are at the mercy of the mayor.

CLARK'S TITLE IS GOOD.

Court of Appeals Holds Senator to Be Innocent Purchaser.

Helena, Mont., May 23.—A telegram from San Francisco says the United States circuit court of appeals, Judge De Haven dissenting, has affirmed the judgment of Judge Knowles of the district court of Montana in the case of the United States against Senator W. A. Clark, involving the title to half a million dollars worth of timber land in western Montana. Judge Knowles decided in favor of Clark, holding in effect that he was the innocent purchaser of the land under the timber and stone act. The government appealed.

Transferred to Catholic Church.

Rev. Father Hayden has transferred the three lots on Jackson street, south of the Real Estate building, to Bishop Lillis. This is the formal transfer of the property to the Catholic church now that the property is freed from debt.

Harder Loses His Case.

The jury in the case of A. L. Harder against the Topeka Brick company for \$5,000 damages for the loss of a hand, found for the brick company this afternoon.

Jerry Bennett Insane.

Jerry Bennett, a negro, who carried mail for the morning paper, was adjudged insane this afternoon.

He Did Not Skip Out.

They were mistaken. Doctor Horne has returned. He did not skip out. He doesn't owe any money. He don't expect to steel any. Therefore he doesn't need to skip out.

Nervous Friend—Your chauffeur seems to drive very recklessly. Smith—Yes, he doesn't care what happens. He's the worst for drink—Bystander.

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LOCAL MENTION.

The missionary meeting of the First Lutheran church will be held at the home of Mrs. Henry Zarker, 2400 Topeka avenue, tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Take a South Topeka car.

Last evening a very pleasant surprise was carried out on Miss Maybelle Garland, at her home, 236 Van Buren street, it being her eighteenth birthday. Music and games furnished the amusement of the evening, after which dainty refreshments were served.

Mrs. H. A. Roach, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Alexander of 401 Lafayette street, left today for Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Faulk of 804 East Second street are the parents of a baby boy.

The United Brethren delegates left the city on the trains last evening, this morning and this noon. The last delegates left on the noon trains today.

The conference came to a close in the afternoon and nothing further was done in the evening of this morning. No board meetings were held.

Dr. and Mrs. D. R. Phillips of Leavenworth, who are visiting Colonel W. H. Rossington and family, had their daughter, Mary Anna, christened Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Catholic church. Bishop Lillis of Kansas City assisted by Father Hayden performed the baptismal service. Following the christening the family and Bishop Lillis were entertained at dinner at the Rossington home.

The Usual Way.

She entered a leading jewelry store with a determined step and a steady look in her eyes, as if she had made up her mind to a certain thing and could not be turned from it, and, walking up to one of the salesmen, she handed him a ring and bluntly queried: "Did that ring come from here?"

YOUNG-OLD WOMEN

Who Have Achieved Fame

COME to think of it, can the masculine sex show today half as many aged men in the full current of busy life, conducting all the activities of existence just as they always did, as there are women of great age still busy as they were thirty years ago, in their respective fields of work?

In America there are of men Russell Sage of New York, nearly eighty-nine, and Hon. Henry G. Davis of West Virginia, eighty-one. When it comes to women, however—lustrous ones at that—the count is numerous. What does a woman care for after she is thirty? Well, if she has any sense at all the larger, sublimer, sweeter interests of life come crowding upon her with a power and intensity she never thought possible when she was a mere green girl.

What brings the subject to mind is the fact that in England Baroness Burdett-Coutts, the world's greatest

living philanthropist, has passed her ninety-first birthday amid congratulations from all the people of Great Britain, from the king and queen down to the poorest toilers of London.

That marvelous old grand dame the dowager Duchess of Abercorn lived in vigor and brightness till past ninety-two; then only a few weeks ago her grace consented to pass away from earth in the stately, dignified manner which characterized all her actions in life, even when she was rearing her thirteen children, ten of whom—five sons and five daughters—survive her. The Duchess of Abercorn left behind her in this earthly vale of tears and laughter 162 descendants. Naturally she shone chiefly in the domestic sphere, but she had time to lead in London society a movement against American women, whom she disliked heartily, no doubt because they were marrying so many British dukes. However, we forgive her for that, especially since she did not at all succeed in her



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"I hope not," he answered after briefly examining it.

"What's it worth?"

"I shouldn't want to set any price on it."

"Then you don't call it a diamond?"

"No, indeed."

"Didn't cost \$150 did it?" she persisted.

"Oh, no, no, no. I shouldn't say it cost that many cents."

"Well, I know where I can get them by the bushel cheaper than that. I hope you didn't buy it for a diamond ring."

"No, I didn't. My feller gave it to me for an engagement ring."

"I see," said the clerk, as he turned away his head to smile.

"He said it was a \$150 proof of his love?"

"Yes?"

"I've been suspicious all along, but didn't want to raise a row. Only glass?"

"Well, a rhinestone, miss."

"And a dollar and a half buys 'em anywhere?"

"A dollar or a dollar and a half but of course."

"Oh, I shan't give you away. It's only that the engagement is off, the feller has got the cold chink, and I'm ready for the next galoot who comes along!"

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HUMOR OF THE DAY.

"Here is where a man stole \$1000 from the government years ago and has just returned \$10,000 to the 'conscience fund.'"

"By jinks, I am thinking."

"Thinking what?"

"If the government would be better off if everybody stole \$1000 and returned \$10,000."—Chicago News.

"Do you expect your son to become proficient in the classics while at college?"

"No," answered Farmer Coratocole. "Football."

"No, all I want is for 'em to give him a good hazing, an' mebbe take some of the conceit out of him."—Washington Star.

"He seems to have gone to the bad completely."

"Yes, I believe he found himself between the devil and the deep sea, and he realized that he couldn't swim."—Philadelphia Ledger.

social crusade against American women. We forgive her because she showed us all how to live and be well and look well. She lived long and looked well and kept in the swim because she had the will to do so.

Five sovereigns have ruled over Great Britain within the memory of Angela Burdett-Coutts. She was six years old when George III. died. Then came George IV., William IV., Victoria and Edward VII. The baroness witnessed the coronation of two of these, Victoria and Edward.

The baroness' mind is as clear and strong as ever, and she has yet a will of her own. While she was single she received more offers of marriage than any other woman in modern times, though if our own Helen Gould lives long enough she will furnish a good second. The Lady Burdett-Coutts' mind seemed wholly bent on philanthropy—spending her millions to help the poor—when suddenly at the age of sixty-seven she "up" and married William Ashmead Bartlett, aged thirty. Ever since their marriage Mr. Bartlett, who took the name of Burdett-Coutts, has managed her vast philanthropic enterprises for her. He was her secretary, faithful steward and devoted friend, adding the title of husband in 1861. The young husband has saved the baroness no end of trouble, work and annoyance. At the time of the marriage the baroness settled \$50,000 a year on Mr. Bartlett.

It is likely she draws her splendid vitality and common sense from her grandmother, Betty, the beautiful housemaid of Thomas Coutts, whom he married. Betty Coutts had three daughters, one of whom was the mother of the present baroness. The Burdett-Coutts millions are from the estate of Thomas Coutts.

The English people did not like it when the baroness married Mr. Bartlett, though what concern it was of theirs is hard to see. In spite of her immense benefactions and kindness to all who were in need, the British public was for a time put out with Baroness Burdett-Coutts, but the British public got over it. Mr. Burdett-Coutts entered politics. Once he was making a speech in which he attacked Gladstone bitterly, calling the great statesman "an old woman." Instantly a man in the audience rose and said in a loud voice that he thought the speaker ought to be the very last man in the world to speak contemptuously of old women.

How many are aware that Miss Kate Livingstone, sister of the great African explorer, is yet living in Scotland? She is 107 years old. Not to be omitted either is Viscountess Gwentworth, who, though actually past 101, is still prominent in English society.

We have grand young old women in the United States, too, and plenty of them. What would you say of a woman physician still in active practice, in excellent physical health and with a mind as bright and keen as steel at the age of ninety-nine? Such a woman is Dr. Sophronia Fletcher of Boston, who laughs merrily at the years that fly by. Plainly she escaped from the chloroform bottle and sponge of Dr. Oiler so long ago that he has forgotten all about her.

Adeline Johnson, the sculptor, says that when one of her sitters is really great, whether known to fame or not, the atmosphere of power and strength always impresses the artist. She feels it, she says. Of women who have im-

pressed her with this natural and unconscious greatness she mentioned among others, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony. Miss Anthony eighty-five years old, is as intensely alive on the woman question as she was when in 1848 she and Mrs. Stanton together organized the National Woman Suffrage association. Perhaps Susan B. Anthony lives so long and well because she has wrought for her whole sex, not for herself.

Fascinating in conversation as ever writing, speaking, living in the very swim of things, too, is Julia Ward Howe, eighty-six the 27th of this month. If Baroness Burdett-Coutts



BARONESS BURDETT-COUTTS.

was the friend and intimate of Charles Dickens, Julia Ward Howe was no less the friend and associate of the still greater American, Emerson.

Away back in 1868 "the uneasy sex," as it has been called, was just beginning to be very uneasy indeed, and part of the outcome was the organization of the woman's club. Caroline M. Severance, a distinguished literary woman, founded in that year what is claimed to be the first one—the New England Women's club. Mrs. Severance, now eighty-six, lives in Los Angeles and is active still in women's organizations. She wrote a touching letter of greetings to the Mothers' Congress at its recent meeting.

Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, founder of the Christian Science sect, is eighty-four years old and works as hard as she ever did and as vigorously for her church, watching the doing of it, faithful, writing, editing and transcribing a vast amount of executive business. Fanny Crosby, the blind hymn writer, is yet at work, happy as the day is long, the melody of her soul beating in her brain as rhythmically and powerfully as ever. Julia S. Carney, eighty-two, who wrote "Little drops of water, little grains of sand," lives at Galeburg, Ill. Mrs. Mary Sadler of Canada, eighty-five, has written sixty books and is still writing.

But, dear me, my paper has run out.

LILLIAN GRAY.

Only by teaching the spirit of fairness and of consideration due his neighbor can the selfish tendencies of the young child be forestalled. In this respect our school system has been on the wrong track, says J. G. Phelps Stokes.